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## PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT (II)

Assistant Commissioner for Patents Washington, D.C. 20231

SIR:

Please amend the application as follows:

IN THE SPECIFICATION:

page 12, lines 17-21, replace all of the subject matter on these lines with the following:

--In consideration of the practicality of the device for use as a pumping light source, the "kink" is defined herein as a state in which the external differential quantum efficiency varies by 15% or more relative to the initial external differential quantum efficiency that the device shows when injected current just exceeds the threshold current.--

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Dated: June 26, 2000

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